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- Invention: **Coal Bed Methane Water Treatment System** )  
Serial No.: **10/668,806** )  
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**STATUS INQUIRY REQUEST**

Dear Sir:

Applicant hereby requests a status report with regard to the above-referenced application since it has been almost one (1) year without having receiving an Office Action. The last correspondence received was the Filing Receipt. This request is made to avoid any lack of diligence being attributed to the Applicant.

We thank you for your anticipated prompt attention to this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

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